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Attorney's Docket No. 0388-044074**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**Mail Stop AMENDMENT

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Serial No.: 10/840,141Filing Date: May 6, 2004Examiner: Thomas J. BrahanGroup Art Unit: 3654Invention: Transport Apparatus

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small Entity Status is/has been asserted for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.  
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27 is enclosed.  
☐ No additional fee is required.  
☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	No. of Claims After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate	Non-Small Entity Rate	Charge
Total	<u>23</u>	<u>20</u>	<u>3</u>	x \$ 25.00	x \$ 50.00	\$ <u>150</u>
Indep.	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>0</u>	x \$100.00	x \$200.00	\$ <u>        </u>
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim/s				+ \$180.00	+ \$360.00	\$ <u>        </u>
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE						\$ <u>150</u>

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 150 is enclosed to cover the additional fee.  
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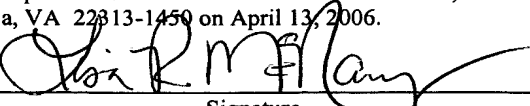
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Application Number	10/840,141
		Filing Date	May 6, 2004
		First Named Inventor	Yukio IIZUKO
		Examiner Name	Thomas J. Brahan
		Art Unit	3654
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b>		Attorney Docket No.	0388-044074

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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES**

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

	Small Entity Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	50

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200

Multiple dependent claims

360

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
23	- 20 or HP = 3	x 50	= 150

HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20

Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
4	- 3 or HP = 0	x	=

HP = highest number of independent claims paid for, if greater than 3

Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)

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**4. OTHER FEE(S)**

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Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): Petition for Extension of Time – One Month

Fees Paid (\$)
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120

**SUBMITTED BY**

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